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SECOND NIGHT LEAD BERLIN
BY THOMAS A. REEDY

BERLIN, TUESDAY, AUG. 22 (AP)--BRITAINDEPLOYED 3,000 OF HER TROOPS ACROSS THE BRITISH SECTOR OF WEST BERLIN TODAY IN A DEMONSTRATION OF ALLIED PREPAREDNESS.

ALL BUT ONE COMPANY OF THE BRITISH GARRISON'S INFANTRY BRIGADE TURNED OUT AT 4 A.M. ON THE ALERT. CENTURION TANKS AND ARMORED VEHICLES RUMBLED THROUGH THE DESERTED STREETSAS DAWN BROKE OVER THE CITY RINGED BY COMMUNIST STEEL.

A BRITISH SPOKESMAN SAID THE OPERATION WAS A ROUTINE EXERCISE AIMED AT MAKING SURE THAT EACH MAN KNOWS WHERE TO GO IN AN EMERGENCY. BUT IT ALSO WAS IN LINE WITH A DECISION BY THE WESTERN BIG THREE TO REMIND THE EAST GERMAN COMMUNISTS OF THEIR MILITARY PRESENCE AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY.

THE COMPANY THAT DIDN'T JOIN IN THE ALERT HAD DONE ITS BIT OF FLAG-SHOWING YESTERDAY ON THE WEST BERLIN BORDER.

BRITISH TANKS AND INFANTRYMEN DEPLOYED IN A TRICKY AREA WHERE THEIR SECTOR JOINS THE EAST GERMAN ZONAL BORDER TO PUT THIS KIND OF TOUGH THINKING INTO EFFECT. IT WAS AT STAAKEN, NOT FAR FROM THE POINT WHERE A HIGHWAY LEAVES WEST BERLIN FOR HAMBURG, WEST GERMANY.

EAST GERMANS HAD STARTED WORK THERE--UNDER GUARD OF COMMUNIST POLICE, MILITIAMEN AND EIGHT ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS--TO REINFORCE LONG-NEGLECTED BARBED WIRE FENCES AND PLUG HOLES THAT ONCE MEANT FREEDOM FOR EAST GERMAN REFUGEES FLEEING TO WEST BERLIN.

THE BRITISH PROMPTLY BROUGHT OUT A FULL COMPANY OF 120 INFANTRYMEN, FOUR CENTURION TANKS, SOME THREE-INCH MORTARS AND A ~~220MM~~ 120 MM. ANTITANK GUN TO KEEP WATCH. THEY ESTABLISHED MACHINE GUN AND OBSERVAATION POSTS ALONG A TWO-MILE LINE.

MAJ. GEN. SIR ROHAN DELACOMBE, THE BRITISH COMMANDANT, SURVEYED THE SITUATION ACROSS THE BORDER FROM A POSITON ONLY 12 FEET FROM A COMMUNIST ARMORED VEHICLE. HE COMMENTED THAT, WHILE THE EASTERN FORCES HAVE A RIGHT TO BE WHERE THEY ARE, THE WESTERN ALLIES HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE CLOSE ENOUGH TO SEE WHAT THEY ARE UP TO.

THE BRITISH GARRISON WILL DO THIS EVERY TIME THERE IS SIMILAR ACTIVITY ALONG THE BORDER BETWEEN THE BRITISH SECTOR AND THE COMMUNIST ZONE, THE GENERAL SAID.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE FRENCH FORCES SAID "EACH POWER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ITS OWN TERRITORY" AND INDICATED THE FRENCH WERE EQUALLY ALERT.

A SPOKESMAN OF THE NEWLY REINFORCED U.S. GARRISON, WHICH GUARDS THE AMERICAN SECTOR, SAID THE AMERICAN TROOPS ARE "JUST AS MUCH ON THE READY."

THE IDEA WAS DESCRIBED AS INTENDED TO LIFT THE MORALE OF THE GERMANS LIVING IN BORDER AREAS, TO REMIND THE TROOPS WITH SUCH EXERCISES THAT THEY ARE ON FRONT LINE DUTY AND TO SHOW THE COMMUNISTS THEY ARE FACING A POSITIVE MILITARY FORCE.

THE PROMPT ALLIED REACTION FIT INTO THE PATTERN OF THE PAST WEEKEND WHEN VICE PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON--ACCLAIMED WITH CHEERS, FLOWERS AND A MINGLING OF LAUGHTER AND TEARS--PLEDGED PRESERVATION OF WEST BERLIN'S FREEDOM "NO MATTER WHAT COURSE THIS CRISIS WILL RUN."

CHANCELLOR KONRAD ADENAUER, WHO TOLD JOHNSON HIS VISIT WAS A BIG SUCCESS, PLANS A PERSONAL SURVEY OF THE SITUATION HERE TOMORROW. ADENAUER TELEGRAPHED PRESIDENT KENNEDY HIS THANKS FOR SENDING JOHNSON AND REPORTED "THE IMPRESSION IN THE WHOLE OF GERMANY, AND PARTICULARLY IN BERLIN AND IN THE EASTERN ZONE, WAS OVERWHELMING."

HAVING POURED OUT THEIR ENTHUSIASM FOR THE DISPLAY OF WESTERN BACKING, THE WEST BERLINERS SETTLED BACK TO WATCHING AND WAITING FOR DEVELOPMENTS. AMONG BOTH OFFICIAL CIRCLES AND ORDINARY CITIZENS THERE WAS OPEN HOPE THAT THE WESTERN POWERS AND THE RUSSIANS WOULD EVENTUALLY REACH A TOP LEVEL CONFERENCE, PERHAPS A SUMMIT OF CHIEFS OF STATE, TO DELIVER BERLIN FROM ITS PERENNIAL CRISES.

MANY PEOPLE SHARED THE BELIEF THAT THE JOHNSON VISIT AND THE EVIDENT WESTERN WILL TO RESIST COMMUNIST ENCROACHMENTS HAD PUT THE BERLIN SITUATION INTO DEEP FREEZE UNTIL AFTER THE WEST GERMAN ELECTION SEPT. 17.

CREDIT FOR THE JOHNSON VISIT BECAME A SUBJECT OF DISPUTE AMONG WEST GERMANY'S TWO BIGGEST POLITICAL PARTIES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR ADENAUER'S CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS SAID KENNEDY SENT THE VICE PRESIDENT IN RESPONSE TO A SUGGESTION MADE BY ADENAUER THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS AUG. 13, THE DAY OF THE COMMUNIST CLAMPDOWN.

FRANZ BARSIG OF THE OPPOSITION SOCIAL DEMOCRATS TOLD A BONN NEWS CONFERENCE "JOHNSON'S VISIT WAS A DIRECT RESULT" OF A LETTER THAT WEST BERLIN MAYOR WILLY BRANDT, THE SOCIALIST STANDARD-BEARER, SENT TO KENNEDY LAST WEEK.

AMONG OTHER HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DAY:

THE WEST BERLIN PARLIAMENT PROTESTED TO THE ALLIED COMMANDANTS THAT THREE OF ITS MEMBERS WHO LIVE IN EAST BERLIN ARE VICTIMS OF THE BORDER BLOCKADE, AND LOCKED OUT OF WEST BERLIN.

THE EAST BERLIN POST OFFICE FORBADE WEST GERMANS AND WEST BERLINERS VISITING EASTERN TERRITORY FROM TELEPHONING TO THE WEST. THE OSTENSIBLE EXCUSE WAS THAT WEST GERMANS HAD COME THERE TO USE TELEPHONES FOR LONG DISTANCE CALLS AND THEREBY SAVE MONEY BECAUSE OF THE CHEAPER RATE OF EXCHANGE. THE REAL REASON, WESTERN OBSERVERS CALCULATED, WAS THAT ONCE THE WESTERNERS WERE THERE THE COMMUNISTS DETERMINED TO KEEP THEM ISOLATED.

THE EAST'S BORDER SEALING WAS TIGHT, BUT AN OCCASIONAL HARDY EAST GERMAN MANAGED TO BREAK THE BLOCKADE. ONE WAS THE MAYOR OF FALKENSEE, NEAR STAAKEN, WHO SHOWED UP AND ASKED FOR POLITICAL ASYLUM.

EAST BERLIN CITY AUTHORITIES ORDERED ALL THE EAST BERLIN RESIDENTS WHO HAD WORKED IN THE WEST AND COMMUTED DAILY UNTIL THE BORDER WAS CLOSED TO REGISTER FOR WORK WITHIN THE NEXT FIVE DAYS.

COMMUNIST CZECHOSLOVAKIA--A PARTNER OF EAST GERMANY AND THE SOVIET UNION IN THE WARSAW PACT--CLAIMED THERE IS A GROWING THREAT OF WEST GERMAN AGGRESSION ON ITS WESTERN FRONTIER. IT CALLED FOR A PEACE TREATY AS THE FIRST STEP TOWARD REUNIFICATION OF GERMANY.

THE CZECH AMBASSADOR TO LONDON, MIROSLAV GALUSKA, TOLD REPORTERS THAT PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS IN WEST GERMANY WERE MAKING TERRITORIAL CLAIMS AGAINST CZECHOSLOVAKIA. HE SINGLED OUT LEADERS OF THE SUDETEN GERMAN PARTY. THERE WAS NO COMMENT IN BONN.

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SECOND NIGHT LEAD JOHNSON-BERLIN
BY GARDNER L. BRIDGE

WASHINGTON, AUG. 21 (AP)-PRESIDENT KENNEDY TODAY PLEDGED TO MAINTAIN THE FREEDOM OF WEST BERLIN.

THE PRESIDENT RENEWED THIS PLEDGE AFTER RECEIVING A FIRSTHAND REPORT FROM VICE PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON ON THE VICE PRESIDENT'S FLYING MISSION TO GERMANY.

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KENNEDY MET WITH JOHNSON FOR ALMOST AN HOUR IMMEDIATELY AFTER RETURNING TO THE WHITE HOUSE FROM AN ABBREVIATED WEEKEND IN HYANNIS PORT.

JOHNSON, WHO ARRIVED BACK TO WASHINGTON BEFORE NOON, WENT TO KENNEDY'S OFFICE SHORTLY AFTER THE PRESIDENT'S RETURN TO REPORT ON HIS OBSERVATIONS AND MEETINGS DURING HIS TWO-DAY JOURNEY TO BONN AND WEST BERLIN.

AFTER THEIR CONFERENCE, KENNEDY EXPRESSED GRATITUDE TO JOHNSON FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT'S "REMARKABLY SUCCESSFUL AND IMPORTANT" MISSION.

KENNEDY SAID JOHNSON'S REPORT ADDED TO THE GOVERNMENT'S RECOGNITION THAT "WE ARE GOING TO PASS THROUGH DIFFICULT WEEKS AND MONTHS TO MAINTAIN THE FREEDOM OF WEST BERLIN."

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"BUT MAINTAIN IT WE WILL," HE SAID.

JOHNSON HAD SAID EARLIER THAT HE WAS CONFIDENT HIS JOURNEY HAD PRODUCED TIGHTER LINKS BETWEEN WEST GERMANY AND THE OTHER WESTERN ALLIES.

SECRETARY OF STATE DEAN RUSK ALSO PARTICIPATED IN THE WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE, AS DID THE VICE PRESIDENT'S TRAVELING COMPANIONS--RETIRED GEN. LUCIUS D. CLAY, FORMER U.S. MILITARY COMMANDER IN GERMANY, AND CHARLES E. BOHLEN, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO RUSK AND AN EXPERT IN RUSSIAN AFFAIRS.

KENNEDY SAID JOHNSON'S REPORT EMPHASIZED THE CONFIDENCE AND TRUST THE PEOPLE OF WEST BERLIN PLACE IN THE UNITED STATES AND THE HEAVY RESPONSIBILITIES THAT RELATIONSHIP PLACES UPON THIS COUNTRY.

JOHNSON SAID HIS WHIRLWIND TRIP WAS A "MOST STIMULATING AND INSPIRING EXPERIENCE." HE DESCRIBED HIS TALKS WITH WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR KONRAD ADENAUER AND WEST BERLIN MAYOR WILLY BRANDT AS "USEFUL AND FRUITFUL--AND I THINK THEY WILL BE PRODUCTIVE."

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KENNEDY PLEDGED IN A MESSAGE MADE PUBLIC DURING THE DAY A "COMMON EFFORT FOR A JUST AND PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT IN GERMANY."

JOHNSON RETURNED WITH A REPORT THAT THE COMMUNIST THREAT TO BERLIN "IS VERY REAL."

THE VICE PRESIDENT ADDED THAT THE THREAT, INTENSIFIED WITH BARBED WIRE BARRICADES, "IS BUT A PART OF THE CONTINUING STRUGGLE BETWEEN THE WORLD OF FREEDOM AND THE WORLD OF COERCION."

THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT MET BRIEFLY WITH NEWSMEN IN A CONFERENCE ROOM NEAR THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE AFTER THEY CONCLUDED THEIR TALKS.

THEY SPOKE EXTEMPORANEOUSLY TO THE REPORTERS BUT THEIR REMARKS WERE TAKEN DOWN BY A WHITE HOUSE STENOGRAPHER AND TEXTS WERE RELEASED LATER.

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TALKING WITH NEWSMEN AS HE LEFT THE WHITE HOUSE, JOHNSON SAID:

"NO PERSON CAN SEE WHAT WE SAW WITHOUT DEEPLY FEELING THE RESPONSIBILITY AMERICA HAS TO THE PEOPLE OF WEST BERLIN AND TO HUMANITY."

WEST BERLINERS LOOK TO THE UNITED STATES FOR ENCOURAGEMENT, HOPE AND LEADERSHIP, JOHNSON SAID, "AND TOGETHER WE ARE GOING TO CONTINUE TO MARCH SHOULDER TO SHOULDER TO THE END THAT FREEDOM IS PRESERVED IN THE WORLD."

COINCIDENT WITH HIS RETURN THE STATE DEPARTMENT RELEASED A MESSAGE FROM KENNEDY TO A WORLD LABOR FEDERATION IN WHICH THE PRESIDENT SAID EVENTS IN BERLIN "STRIKINGLY UNDERLINE THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE LONG STRUGGLE" FOR THE PROTECTION OF FREEDOM, HUMAN RIGHTS AND SELF-DETERMINATION.

KENNEDY'S MESSAGE WAS SENT LAST SATURDAY TO THE INTERNATIONAL ~~FEDER~~ Confeder-ATION OF FREE TRADE UNIONS IN BRUSSELS. THE FEDERATION, WHICH CLAIMS 56 MILLION MEMBERS IN THE NON-COMMUNIST WORLD, INCLUDING THIS COUNTRY'S AFL-CIO, HAD PROTESTED TO KENNEDY ABOUT RED THREATS AND ACTIONS IN BERLIN.

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IN HIS REPLY, KENNEDY SAID:

"BY MAKING FREE LABOR'S POSITION SO CLEARLY KNOWN, ICFTU HAS TAKEN AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARDS RALLYING ITS MILLIONS OF FREEDOM-LOVING MEMBERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD IN SUPPORT OF OUR COMMON EFFORTS FOR A JUST AND PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT IN GERMANY."

KENNEDY SENT HIS TROUBLESHOOTING VICE PRESIDENT TO WEST GERMANY LAST FRIDAY BEARING PERSONAL ASSURANCES OF THIS COUNTRY'S DETERMINATION TO STAND FIRM AGAINST SOVIET PREMIER KHRUSHCHEV'S THREATENED MOVES TO TRY TO FORCE THE WESTERN ALLIES OUT OF BERLIN.

AT THE SAME TIME KENNEDY SENT 1,500 AMERICAN TROOPS IN TO REINFORCE THE U.S. GARRISON IN BERLIN, AND JOHNSON WAS THERE TO HELP WELCOME THEM SUNDAY.

REPORTING ON THIS WHEN HE ARRIVED BACK IN WASHINGTON, JOHNSON SAID THE RECEPTION GIVEN THE AMERICAN TROOPS WAS "MOST HEART-WARMING."

"OUR TROOPS KNOW," HE SAID, "THAT THEY CARRY THE HONOR OF AMERICA WITH THEM AS THEY BEGIN THEIR IMPORTANT TASK OF HELPING TO PROTECT THIS OUTPOST OF PEACE AND FREEDOM."

JOHNSON SEEMED IN GOOD SPIRITS AFTER THE ARDORS OF HIS 36-HOUR MISSION ABROAD. HE WAS WELCOMED AT ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE BY A GROUP OF OFFICIALS THAT INCLUDED HOUSE SPEAKER SAM RAYBURN, D-TEX., HOUSE MAJORITY LEADER JOHN W. MCCORMACK, D-MASS., UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE GEORGE W. BALL, AND WEST GERMAN AMBASSADOR WILHELM GREWE.

GREWE WAS SCHEDULED TO MEET AGAIN DURING THE DAY WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF BRITAIN, FRANCE AND THE UNITED STATES. THIS GROUP, CONVENED BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOY D. KOHLER, HAS BEEN DETAILED BY THE BIG FOUR FOREIGN MINISTERS TO STUDY THE BERLIN CRISIS.

IN HIS PLANESIDE STATEMENT, JOHNSON SAID HE WAS CONVINCED AFTER HIS TALKS WITH WEST GERMAN LEADERS THAT THE ALREADY STRONG BONDS BETWEEN THIS COUNTRY AND WEST BERLIN AND WEST GERMANY "HAVE BEEN MADE EVEN STRONGER AND MORE ENDURING."

JOHNSON CONFERRED DURING HIS TRIP WITH WEST CHANCELLOR KONRAD ADENAUER AND WEST BERLIN MAYOR WILLY BRANDT. THE VICE PRESIDENT PAID TRIBUTE TO "THE COURAGE AND THE DEDICATION TO FREEDOM WHICH SUSTAIN THE PEOPLE OF WEST BERLIN THESE DIFFICULT DAYS."

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HE EXPRESSED "UNLIMITED COMPASSION FOR THE SUFFERING NOW BEING ENDURED BY THE PEOPLE OF EAST BERLIN AND EAST GERMANY AND THEIR RELATIVES AND FRIENDS IN THE WEST."

"NO ONE WHO HAS SEEN AND TALKED WITH THE REFUGEES FROM EAST GERMANY, AS I HAVE DONE, CAN FAIL TO REALIZE WHAT A PROFOUND HUMAN TRAGEDY IS INVOLVED," HE SAID.

IN THE SENATE, WHERE JOHNSON PRESIDES AS VICE PRESIDENT, SEN. ALBERT GORE, D-TENN. TOLD COLLEAGUES THAT JOHNSON HAD PERFORMED A "SIGNAL SERVICE" IN HIS MISSION TO GERMANY. GORE INSERTED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD THE TEXTS OF JOHNSON'S SPEECHES IN GERMANY.

GEN. LUCIUS D. CLAY, WHO ACCOMPANIED JOHNSON'S PARTY TO GERMANY, DISCOUNTED REPORTS THAT HE MIGHT RETURN TO BERLIN AS U.S. COMMANDANT.

AS POSTWAR MILITARY GOVERNOR IN GERMANY, CLAY DIRECTED THE AIRLIFT THAT BROKE THE 1948-49 SOVIET BLOCKADE OF BERLIN. HE RETIRED IN 1949 AND NOW IS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF CONTINENTAL CAN CO.

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JOHNSON (130)

MOSCOW, AUG. 21 (AP)-IZVESTIA SAID TONIGHT VICE PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON'S VISIT TO WEST BERLIN WAS INTENDED TO "GALVANIZE THE BANKRUPT POLICY OF SHARPENING INTERNATIONAL TENSIONS."

THE GOVERNMENT NEWSPAPER'S BERLIN CORRESPONDENT, V. BAI, SAID JOHNSON "CAME FOR THE ONE PURPOSE OF THROWING OIL ON THE FIRE OF HYSTERIA BEING FANNED BY MAYOR (WILLY) BRANDT AT THE COMMAND OF WASHINGTON AND BONN."

HE SAID "WESTERN PROVOCATEURS" WERE DISAPPOINTED WHEN A COLUMN OF 1,500 U.S. TROOPS PASSED THROUGH EAST GERMANY TO BEEF UP THE BERLIN GARRISON WITHOUT INCIDENT.

THE NEWSPAPER ADDED THAT THE JOHNSON VISIT "WITNESSES TO THE FACT THAT ACROSS THE OCEAN THEY ARE NOT SPARING ANY EFFORTS TO SHARPEN THE SITUATION AT THE 'FRONT CITY3$& 85 ,953$ 5£-5

THE SITUATION AT THE 'FRONT CITY."

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IT NOTED THAT WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR KONRAD ADENAUER WILL VISIT BERLIN AND ADDED: "THE ORGANIZERS OF THE WAR HYSTERIA ARE HURRYING. ALL IN VAIN. NO MATTER HOW THEY HURRY, THE INEVITABLE ABYSS AWAITS THEM."

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BERLIN (110)

MOSCOW, AUG. 21 (AP)-PRAVDA TODAY PRINTED A BERLIN DISPATCH DECLARING VICE PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON'S MISSION TO THE DIVIDED CITY WAS INTENDED TO "HEAT UP THE ALREADY TENSE SITUATION IN WEST BERLIN."

THE WRITER, CORRESPONDENT VLADIMER KUZNETSOV, SAID IT SEEMS WEST BERLIN--NOT EAST BERLIN--HAS BECOME "A MILITARY POLICE CAMP."

HE SAID PROVOCATIVE MILITARY DEMONSTRATIONS WERE HELD IN WEST BERLIN AFTER JOHNSON'S ARRIVAL AND COMMENTED THAT THE 1,500 AMERICAN REINFORCEMENTS WHO ARRIVED SUNDAY MARCHED THROUGH THE CITY TO THE TUNE OF MILITARY BANDS.

"JOHNSON DEVELOPED A TRULY FEVERISH ACTIVITY," KUZNETSOV WROTE. "FROM MORNING UNTIL NIGHT HE PROWLED ALONG THE BORDERS OF DEMOCRATIC (EAST) BERLIN, ARRANGED REVIEWS OF AMERICAN MILITARY UNITS, EXCITED THE WEST BERLIN POPULATION AND MET WITH MAYOR WILLY BRANDT AND FOREIGN MINISTER HEINRICH VON BRENTANO BEHIND CLOSED DOORS..HE IS TRYING TO SAVE THE BANKRUPT POLICY OF THE FRONTLINE CITY."

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LONDON, TUESDAY, AUG. 22 (AP)-PRAVDA SAID TODAY VICE PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON "FRATERNIZED WITH AND EMBRACED POLITICAL ROGUES AND ADVENTURERS" ON HIS WEST BERLIN VISIT.

THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY ORGAN, QUOTED BY TASS, DECLARED: "THE VICE-PRESIDENT TRIED TO DRAG BURGOMASTER WILLY BRANDT (THE WEST BERLIN MAYOR) BY THE EARS OUT OF HIS OWN STINKING BOG OF THE 'FRONT LINE CITY' IN WHICH HE HAD STARTED TO CHOKE."

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WITH BERLIN

HAVANA, AUG. 21 (AP)-EAST GERMAN VICE CHANCELLOR GEORG STIBBI CLAIMED TONIGHT THE WESTERN BIG FOUR POWERS ARE SPLIT OVER THE BERLIN CRISIS AND GERMAN PROBLEM.

THE VISITING COMMUNIST OFFICIAL SAID BRITAIN AND APPARENTLY FRANCE DO NOT WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT WHAT HE TERMED THE "AGGRESSIVE MILITARIST POLICIES" OF WEST GERMANY AND THE UNITED STATES.

STIBBI SAID THE BERLIN CRISIS COULD TOUCH OFF WORLD WAR III BUT PREDICTED THERE WILL BE AN EAST-WEST CONFERENCE "AND GOOD SENSE WILL FINALLY WIN."

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BY HANS NEUERBOURG

FRANKFURT, GERMANY, AUG. 21 (AP)-NATIONAL FEELING STIRRED UP BY COMMUNIST SEALING OF THE BERLIN BORDER IS SLOWLY SUBSIDING AND WEST GERMANS ARE PROBING FOR A WAY OUT OF THE BERLIN CRISIS.

EVEN CHANCELLOR KONRAD ADENAUER, NORMALLY NOT ONE TO CHANGE HIS MIND SWIFTLY, HAS CONSIDERABLY SOFTENED HIS APPROACH.

THERE HAVE BEEN SMALL BUT SIGNIFICANT INDICATIONS THAT CERTAIN INFLUENTIAL QUARTERS WOULD FAVOR A REAPPRAISAL OF BONN'S POLICY TOWARD THE EAST.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE RED CLAMPDOWN IN BERLIN, ADENAUER SAID THE WEST WAS CONSIDERING MASSIVE COUNTER MEASURES, INCLUDING A POSSIBLE EMBARGO ON ALL TRADE WITH THE EAST.

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WHEN THE BIG THREE FAILED TO TAKE UP ADENAUER'S SUGGESTIONS, LARGE SECTIONS OF THE WEST GERMAN PRESS CRITICIZED WHAT THEY CALLED ALLIED DO-NOTHINGNESS.

THEN, WITH SURPRISING SWIFTNESS, THE BONN GOVERNMENT SHIFTED ITS COURSE AND BEGAN TO URGE CAUTION. CABINET MEMBERS SAID ECONOMIC SANCTIONS WERE OUT OF QUESTION. DEFENSE MINISTER FRANZ JOSEPH STRAUSS SPOKE UP AGAINST A "STRONG MAN POLICY" TOWARD MOSCOW.

THE CHANGE CAME AFTER SOME DISCREET ALLIED HINTS AND A CONFERENCE BETWEEN ADENAUER AND SOVIET AMBASSADOR ANDREI SMIRNOV.

SMIRNOV REPORTEDLY TOLD ADENAUER THERE WOULD BE NO FURTHER COMMUNIST MOVES IN BERLIN FOR THE TIME BEING. IN RETURN, THE CHANCELLOR ASSURED HIM THAT BONN WOULD UNDERTAKE NO STEPS WHICH COULD INCREASE TENSION OVER BERLIN.

NOW SOME WEST GERMAN NEWSPAPERS ARE CRITICIZING THE ADENAUER REGIME FOR HAVING DOGGEDLY STUCK TO THE STATUS QUO DURING THE PAST 10 YEARS INSTEAD OF SHOWING INITIATIVE TOWARDS NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE EAST.

DIE ZEIT, A HAMBURG WEEKLY WITH INFLUENTIAL READERSHIP, PUBLISHED A REVIEW BY PROF. GOLO MANN TITLED "THE END OF THE BONN ILLUSIONS--THOUGHTS CONCERNING A REALISTIC GERMAN POLICY."

MANN, A HISTORIAN, STATED THAT REUNIFICATION WAS NO LONGER POSSIBLE BECAUSE THE KREMLIN COULD NOT BE EXPECTED TO STRENGTHEN THE WESTERN ALLIANCE BY ABANDONING CONTROL OF EAST GERMANY. INSTEAD, HE SUGGESTED NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE SOVIETS WITH THE AIM OF HAVING POLISH-TYPE COMMUNISTS TAKE OVER IN EAST GERMANY, ALLOWING AT LEAST A LIMITED AMOUNT OF PERSONAL FREEDOM. SUCH A GOVERNMENT, HE SAID, SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED BY THE WEST ALONG WITH THE ODER-NEISSE BORDER BETWEEN EAST GERMANY AND POLAND.

THE DUESSELDORF FINANCIAL NEWSPAPER, INDUSTRIEKURIER, WHICH OFTEN REFLECTS THE VIEWS OF THE RUHR INDUSTRY, DECLARED EDITORIALLY:

"IF ONE GOES TO THE NEGOTIATION TABLE, THE WEST WILL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO AFFORD PAYING ATTENTION TO THE TABOOS WHICH BONN PARTICULARLY WANTED TO BE OBSERVED. . . . WHAT IS THE USE OF CALLING FOR A RETURN OF THE TERRITORIES EAST OF THE ODER (NOW PART OF POLAND) AT A MOMENT WHEN IT IS ALREADY DIFFICULT TO DEFEND BERLIN?...THESE TABOOS ALSO INCLUDE THE ZONAL REPUBLIC (EAST GERMANY), WHOSE EXISTENCE ONE CANNOT IGNORE IN THE LONG RUN, HOWEVER DISGUSTING IT IS."

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FIRST LEAD RUSK

WASHINGTON, AUG. 21 (AP)-THE UNITED STATES WAS REPORTED TODAY PUTTING EMPHATIC STRESS ON THE RIGHT OF GERMANS FOR SELF-DETERMINATION IN EXPLAINING TO UNCOMMITTED NATIONS U.S. POLICY ON THE BERLIN CRISIS.

OFFICIALS SAID THIS VIEW IS CONTAINED IN INSTRUCTIONS TO AMERICAN AMBASSADORS. THEY ARE NOW QUIETLY EXPLAINING TO THE NEUTRAL COUNTRIES THAT THE WEST'S POSITION ON BERLIN IS JUST AND THAT MOSCOW IS PUSHING THE WORLD TO THE BRINK OF WAR.

NO THOUGHT WAS GIVEN TO LAUNCHING A LARGE-SCALE PROPAGANDA COMPLAINT, THE OFFICIAL SAID, BUT ADDED THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT FOUND IT NECESSARY TO CLARIFY THE AMERICAN POSITION AND TO MAKE IT CLEAR ONCE AGAIN THAT THE BERLIN CRISIS WAS ARTIFICIALLY CREATED BY THE SOVIETS.

SECRETARY OF STATE DEAN RUSK SAID SUNDAY IN A TELEVISION INTERVIEW THAT HE WAS SATISFIED WITH THE REACTION OF LEADERS OF UNCOMMITTED NATIONS TO THE U.S.-RUSSIAN DISPUTE OVER THE CITY.

RUSK'S SATISFACTION IS UNDERSTOOD TO BE BASED PARTLY ON THE REPORT HE RECEIVED FROM UNDER SECRETARY CHESTER BOWLES, WHO PIONEERED IN EXPOUNDING THE U.S. THINKING ON THE GERMAN PROBLEM DURING HIS RECENT 18-NATION TRIP TO ASIA AND AFRICA.

THE INSTRUCTIONS SENT TO AMBASSADORS ABROAD TOOK INTO ACCOUNT BOWLES' FINDINGS.

THE UNDER SECRETARY REPORTED AFTERWARDS HE FOUND SOME INDIFFERENCE WHEN HE EXPLAINED THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS LEGAL RIGHTS TO STAY IN BERLIN. BUT WHEN HE SPOKE ABOUT THE RIGHT OF GERMANS FOR SELF-DETERMINATION AND U.S. DETERMINATION TO PROTECT THIS RIGHT, HE SAID, "FACES LIGHT UP AND HEADS NOD."

OFFICIALS SAID MORE U.S. EMPHASIS ON THE ISSUE OF SELF-DETERMINATION WILL PLAY A CONSIDERABLE ROLE IN FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS WITH RUSSIA ITSELF. THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN ENCOURAGED TO DO SO BY MOSCOW'S ANGRY REACTION IN A RECENT NOTE TERMING THE ARGUMENT "A CHEAP TRICK."

RUSK SAID IN THE TV-RADIO INTERVIEW LAST NIGHT (NBC-MEET THE PRESS) THAT THE WESTERN ALLIES "WILL NOT BE PUSHED OUT OF WEST BERLIN." AT THE AME TIME, RUSK EMPHASIZED THAT THIS COUNTRY WOULD TRY TO FIND A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE CRISIS.

"WE DO EXPECT," HE SAID, "THAT NEGOTIATIONS WILL TAKE PLACE ON THIS MATTER. JUST WHEN AND WHERE WILL BE DETERMINED BY CONSULTATION AMONG GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOVIET UNION. BUT NEGOTIATIONS WILL OCCUR."

HE ADDED THAT HE DID NOT YET KNOW HOW, WHEN OR WHERE SUCH NEGOTIATIONS WOULD BE CONDUCTED. "FOR PERFECTLY OBVIOUS REASONS," RUSK SAID, "IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO TALK ABOUT THE DETAILS" OF ANY PROPOSALS THE WESTERN ALLIES MIGHT MAKE.

RUSK DID NOT RULE OUT THE POSSIBILITY OF A SUMMIT MEETING OVER BERLIN. BUT, IF THERE IS ONE, HE SAID, THERE SHOULD BE FULL PREPARATION SO THAT IT CAN BE SUCCESSFUL.

ASKED IF THE WEST WOULD FIGHT IF THERE WERE ANY INTERFERENCE WITH ACCESS TO WEST BERLIN, RUSK REPLIED:

"I THINK AT THIS POINT . . . IT IS BETTER FOR US TO CONCENTRATE ON THE VITAL INTERESTS AND SAY THAT WE WANT TO PROTECT THOSE VITAL INTERESTS BY PEACEFUL MEANS IF POSSIBLE."

RUSK DEFINED THE "VITAL INTERESTS" OF THE WESTERN ALLIES AS:

". . . THE PRESENCE OF THE WEST IN WEST BERLIN, THE FREEDOM AND SECURITY OF THAT CITY, ITS ABILITY TO LIVE, ITS PHYSICAL ACCESS TO THE REST OF THE WORLD."

HE ADDED: "THESE ARE AT THE HEART OF THE PROBLEM AND THESE ARE MATTERS WHICH MR.KHRUSHCHEV MUST TAKE FULLY INTO ACCOUNT."

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KENNEDY-BERLIN (210)

WASHINGTON, AUG. 21 (AP)-PRESIDENT KENNEDY SAID IN A MESSAGE MADE PUBLIC TODAY THAT THE LATEST RED CLAMPDOWN IN BERLIN "STRIKINGLY UNDERLINES THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE LONG STRUGGLEZ FOR PROTECTION OF FRZEDOM, HUMAN RIGHTS AND SELF DETERMINATION AROUND THE WORLD.

KENNEDY PLEDGED A "COMMON EFFORT FOR A JUST AND PEACEFUL SETBLEMECT IN GERMANY."

THE MESSAGE MADE PUBLIC BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT, WAS DATED AUG. 19 AND SENT TO OMER DECU, GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF FREE TRADE UNIONS. THE BRUSSELS-HEADQUARTERED ORGANIZATION HAD PROTESTED TO KENNEDY ABOUT SOVIET THREATS AND ACTIONS ON BERLIN.

KENNEDY SAID:

"THE LATEST EVENTS STRIKINGLY UNDERLINE THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE LONG STRUGGLE FOR THE PROTECTION OF FREEDOM, FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND FOR THE PRINCIPLE OF THE SELF DETERMINATION OF ALL PEOPLES.

"WORLD FREE LABOR'S EXPRESSION OF SOLIDARITY WITH OTHER FREE WORLD ELEMENTS CAN ONLY STRENGTHEN OUR EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEMS RELATED TO BERLIN ON THE BASIS OF THE PRINCIPLES OF FREEDOM FOR WHICH SO MANY DIED IN WORLD WAR II.

"BY MAKING FREE LABOR'S POSITION SO CLEARLY KNOWN, ICFTU HAS TAKEN AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARDS RALLYING ITS MILLIONS OF FREEDOM-LOVING MEMBERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD IN SUPPORT OF OUR COMMON EFFORTS FOR A JUST AND AND PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT IN GERMANY."

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BY LYNN HEINZERLING

BERLIN, AUG. 21 (AP)-PLEASANT LITTLE HARZERSTRASSE, ON THE EDGE OF THE SOVIET SECTOR OF BERLIN, LOST HALF ITS POPULATION TODAY.

MOVING VANS GUARDED BY COMMUNIST POLICE AND TROOPS MOVED INTO THE SIDE STREETS LEADING TO HARZERSTRASSE FROM THE NORTH AND IMMEDIATELY BEGAN MOVING OUT THE EAST BERLIN FAMILIES WHOSE WINDOWS OVERLOOK THE CAPITALISTS IN HARZERSTRASSE.

LAST WEEK THE COMMUNISTS BRICKED UP DOORS OF THE EAST BERLIN HOMES LEADING INTO HARZERSTRASSE AND BUILT A CONCRETE WALL WITH BARBED WIRE CROWNS ACROSS THE ENDS OF THE SIDE STREETS.

THE STREET AND SIDEWALKS OF HARZERSTRASSE ARE IN THE AMERICAN SECTOR, BUT ALL THE APARTMENTS ON THE NORTH SIDE FOR SEVERAL BLOCKS ARE IN COMMUNIST TERRITORY. THEY HAVE DOORS BOTH ON HARZERSTRASSE AND THE SIDE STREETS.

THE COMMUNISTS EITHER COULDN'T TRUST THEIR MASONRY WORK OR COULDN'T BEAR THE THOUGHT OF SOMEBODY SLIDING TO FREEDOM DOWN A ROPE FROM THE FOUR AND FIVE-STORY APARTMENTS.

HOUSEWIVES PEERED OUT WITH TEARY EYES FROM THE WINDOWS BEHIND NEAT BOXES OF GERANIUMS AS THE MOVING PROCEEDED. BRAWNY MOVERS BROUGHT OUT CRATES OF DISHES, SMALL STOVES, DRESSERS AND BEDS AND PILED THEM INTO VANS ON ONCKENSTRASSE AND MENGERZEILE UNDER THE EYES OF THE SOLDIERS AND POLICE.

THE MOVERS MADE IT CLEAR THEY WERE UNHAPPY ABOUT THEIR JOB. AND THEY DIDN'T SEEM TO CARE WHETHER THE POLICE KNEW IT.

"NOT ME, NOT ME," ONE OF THEM CALLED AS A PHOTOGRAPHER TOOK A PICTURE THROUGH THE BARBED WIRE. "WAIT UNTIL I PUT THIS BOX DOWN AND THEN YOU CAN TAKE IT."

THE SOLDIERS COCKED THEIR RIFLES AS THE PHOTOGRAPHERS MOVED IN.

THE HOUSEWIVES ACROSS THE STREET LOOKED UP AT THE WINDOWS OF THEIR UNFORTUNATE FRIENDS. WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO THEM? NOBODY KNEW.

"THEY'LL BE MOVED DEPPER INTO THE SECTOR, MAYBE EVEN INTO THE RUSSIAN ZONE," ONE SAID WITH A SHUDDER.

AN ANGRY WOMAN SHOUTED "HOMEBREAKER" AT THE SOLDIERS. WHEN A RED OFFICER THREATENED A CAMERAMAN, ANOTHER WOMAN SHOUTED "WHAT INSOLENCE!"

THE ONE LITTLE FOOD STORE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE STREET HAS LONG BEEN CLOSED AND SHUTTERED.

FOR THE PAST WEEK RED TROOPS HAVE BEEN STATIONED ON ROOFS IN THE SOVIET SECTOR GUARDING THE POTENTIAL ESCAPE ROUTES OF EAST BERLINERS.

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BY ROY ESSOYAN

TOKYO, TUESDAY, AUG. 22 (AP)-KREMLIN LEADER ANASTAS I. MIKOYAN DECLARED TODAY THE WESTERN BIG THREE POWERS WILL HAVE NO ACCESS TO BERLIN AFTER THE END OF THE YEAR UNLESS THEY SIGN SEPARATE PEACE TREATIES WITH COMMUNIST EAST GERMANY.

THE WARNING FOLLOWED A THREAT VOICED BY MIKOYAN LAST NIGHT THAT THE WEST WILL HAVE TO ASK EAST GERMAN PERMISSION TO ENTER BERLIN AFTER THE KREMLIN SIGNS ITS PEACE TREATY WITH THE COMMUNIST EAST GERMAN GOVERNMENT.

THE SOVIET FIRST DEPUTY PREMIER DELIVERED HIS LATEST WARNING AT A CROWDED NEWS CONFERENCE ON THE LAST DAY OF HIS PROFESSEDLY NON-POLITICAL NINE-DAY VISIT TO JAPAN.

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MIKOYAN'S WARNING ON BERLIN CAME IN RESPONSE TO A JAPANESE REPORTER WHO ASKED HOW ACCESS TO BERLIN WOULD BE OBTAINED AFTER THE SOVIET UNION SIGNED A PEACE TREATY WITH COMMUNIST EAST GERMANY.

"IT'S SIMPLE," MIKOYAN SAID. "THERE IS ONLY ONE WAY. EVERY OTHER COUNTRY WILL HAVE TO SIGN AN INDIVIDUAL PEACE TREATY WITH THE (COMMUNIST) GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC TOO."

THEN MIKOYAN TRIED TO MINIMIZE THE BERLIN CRISIS. HE ACCUSED THE UNITED STATES OF CREATING THE CRISIS ARTIFICIALLY AND DISMISSED THE FUTURE PROBLEM OF ACCESS TO BERLIN AS A "MINOR POINT."

"IF NECESSARY, THE WHOLE PROBLEM OF BERLIN AND GERMANY CAN BE THRASHED OUT BEFORE THE U. N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY," MIKOYAN SAID.

MIKOYAN IN A SPEECH YESTERDAY TOLD THE WESTERN POWERS THE SOVIET UNION WILL SIGN A SEPARATE PEACE WITH EAST GERMANY AT THE END OF THE YEAR. HE DECLARED:

"YOU MAY NOT LIKE THE (EAST) GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC BUT IT IS AN ELECTED GOVERNMENT PICKED BY THE PEOPLE. YOU'LL HAVE TO ASK THEM FOR A PASS IF YOU WANT OT ENTER BERLIN. WITHOUT IT, YOU WON'T GET THROUGH."

AT HIS NEWS CONFERENCE TODAY HE COMPARED THE DESTRUCTION OF STALINGRAD BY THE NAZIS TO THE AMERICAN ATOM-BOMBING OF HIROSHIMA AND ACCUSED AMERICAN STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN LINCOLN WHITE OF INSTIGATING THE CHARGE BY JAPAN'S RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY THAT MIKOYAN WAS MEDDLING IN JAPANESE INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

MIKOYAN SAID WHITE "GAVE THE JAPANESE AND AMERICAN PRESS THE PROPAGANDA LINE TO FOLLOW" THE DAY MIKOYAN ARRIVED IN JAPAN.

WHITE TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON AUG. 14 THAT MIKOYAN WAS GUILTY OF DISCOURTESY. LATER HE SAID JAPANESE LEADERS WERE VERY EFFECTIVELY ANSWERING THE SOVIET CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE TIES BETWEEN JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES.

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BY ROY ESSOYAN

TOKYO, AUG. 21 (AP)-SOVIET DEPUTY PREMIER ANASTAS MIKOYAN DECLARED TODAY THE SOVIET UNION WILL SIGN A SEPARATE PEACE WITH EAST GERMANY AT THE END OF THIS YEAR AND TOLD THE WESTERN POWERS THAT THEN "YOU'LL HAVE TO ASK THEM (THE EAST GERMANS) FOR A PASS IF YOU WANT TO ENTER BERLIN."

"WITHOUT IT, YOU WON'T GET THROUGH," THE DEPUTY PREMIER DECLARED BLUNTLY IN AN ARM WAVING SPEECH BEFORE A LEFTIST RALLY ATTENDED BY 10,000 SINGING FELLOW TRAVELERS.

IT WAS THE KIND OF POLITICAL ATTACK THAT EARLIER BROUGHT A REBUKE FROM JAPAN'S GOVERNING LIBERAL-DEMOCRATIC PARTY, WHICH ACCUSED HIM OF INTERFERING IN JAPAN'S DOMESTIC AFFAIRS. JAPAN IS ALLIED WITH THE UNITED STATES.

MIKOYAN IS HERE SUPPOSEDLY ON A FRIENDLY NONPOLITICAL NINE-DAY VISIT. HE CAME TO OPEN A SOVIET TRADE FAIR, BUT HAS BEEN EXPOUNDING SOVIET VIEWS ON INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL AFFAIRS AT NEARLY EVERY OPPORTUNITY. HE LEAVES FOR HOME TOMORROW.

MIKOYAN CHARGED THE UNITED STATES ARTIFICIALLY CREATED "THE SO-CALLED BERLIN CRISIS" AND "ACCUSES US OF ULTERIOR MOTIVES."

"REVENGE-SEEKING WEST GERMANS, ON THEIR PART, WANT A BIG ARMY EQUIPPED WITH AMERICAN ATOMIC BOMBS," HE SAID. "IF YOU LET THEM GET AWAY WITH IT THEY WILL USE THESE BOMBS AGAINST US."

CITING SOVIET SPACE ACHIEVEMENTS MIKOYAN SAID "NO ONE NOW DOUBTS OUR MILITARY MIGHT IS EQUAL TO IF NOT GREATER THAN THAT OF THE CAPITALIST POWERS."

"BUT WE ARE NOT WAVING OUR WEAPONS IN ANYONE'S FACE," HE SAID.

MIKOYAN DERIDED WESTERN CHARGES THAT THE EAST GERMAN GOVERNMENT IS A PUPPET REGIME IMPOSED BY THE SOVIET UNION. HE THEN LEVELED ABUSE AT SOUTH KOREA, SOUTH VIET NAM, SPAIN AND PORTUGAL, ALL ALLIED WITH THE UNITED STATES.

"IS THAT A DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT THE AMERICANS HAVE SADDLED ON SOUTH KOREA?" HE ASKED. "A BUNCH OF GENERALS KICKED OUT THE LEGAL GOVERNMENT--IT WAS A BAD GOVERNMENT BUT IT WAS A LEGAL GOVERNMENT

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RECOGNIZED BY THE UNITED STATES--AND NOW THEY RECOGNIZE THE NEW GOVERNMENT."

"WHAT KIND OF A DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT DOES SOUTH VIET NAM HAVE?" HE ASKED. "A BUNCH OF SOLDIERS NEARLY KICKED OUT ITS PRESIDENT, WHATEVER HIS NAME IS (NGO DINH DIEM).

"IS FRANCO A DEMOCRAT?

"THE PORTUGUESE DICTATOR SALAZAR KILLS INNOCENT PEOPLE BY THE THOUSANDS IN AFRICA BECAUSE OF THE COLOR OF THEIR SKIN AND THE AMERICANS ARE FRIENDLY WITH BOTH OF THEM."

EARLIER AT A MEETING WITH JAPANESE SOCIALIST LEADERS AT THE SOVIET EMBASSY, MIKOYAN ENDORSED THE SOCIALIST IDEA FOR A FOUR-NATION FAR EAST COLLECTIVE SECURITY ARRANGEMENT AMONG THE UNITED STATES, SOVIET RUSSIA, RED CHINA AND JAPAN, THE SOCIALISTS REPORTED. THEY SAID MIKOYAN ALSO ENDORSED THEIR PROPOSAL FOR A NUCLEAR FREE ZONE IN ASIA.

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NIGHT LEAD (200)

MIAMI BEACH, FLA., AUG. 21 (AP)-ARMY SECRETARY ELVIS STAHR SAID TODAY "IF THERE WERE TO BE WAR OVER BERLIN, IT WOULD HAVE STARTED YESTERDAY."

"IF THERE WERE TO BE WAR," HE TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE, "THAT BATTLE GROUP WOULD NOT HAVE ARRIVED IN WEST BERLIN YESTERDAY."

STAHR TOLD NEWSMEN PRIOR TO A SPEECH BEFORE THE CONVENTION OF THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS THAT THE BATTLE GROUP HAD MORE SIGNIFICANCE THAN ITS STRENGTH OF 1,500 MEN MIGHT IMPLY.

"SENDING THE GROUP TO BERLIN IS AN INDICATION OF OUR WILLINGNESS TO MOVE," HE SAID. "WE ARE NOW AT A TURNING POINT IN THE COLD WAR. WE ARE MOVING IN A NEW DIRECTION."

THE NEW WILLINGNESS TO TAKE THE OFFENSIVE DOES NOT MEAN THE UNITED STATES WOULD PLUNGE INTO AN ALL-OUT NUCLEAR WAR, HE SAID. INSTEAD, THE EMPHASIS WILL BE ON THE USE OF THE ARMY'S CONVENTION WEAPONS WHICH HE SAID WERE IMPROVED AND MODELED FOR DIFFERENT JOBS IN EUROPE OR SOUTHEAST ASIA.

THE CHOICE OF CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS WAS MADE BY PRESIDENT KENNEDY IN HIS RECENT TELEVISION ADDRESS ON THE BERLIN ISSUE, STAHR SAID.

"OUR ARMY CAN FIGHT ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD--THERE IS NO TERRAIN TOO DIFFICULT," HE SAID.

IN HIS ADDRESS, STAHR SAID THE ARMY IS DEVELOPING THE KIND OF POWER "WHICH WILL ENABLE US TO HALT AND TURN BACK THE EXPANSION OF COMMUNISM WITHOUT INVITING CHAOS."

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(300) FULBRIGHT-MILITARY

WASHINGTON, AUG. 21 (AP)-SEN. J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT, D-ARK., SAID TODAY MILITARY OFFICERS DO A DISSERVICE TO THE COUNTRY WHEN THEY SUPPORT GROUPS WHICH ESPOUSE POLICIES THAT GENERATE "DISTRUST AND SUSPICION AMONG OUR PEOPLE."

HE SAID HIS RECENT MEMORANDUM TO SECRETARY OF DEFENSE ROBERT S. MCNAMARA WAS DIRECTED "SOLELY AT THE IMPROPRIETY" OF A FEW OFFICERS WHO, HE SAID, PERMIT THEIR PRESTIGE AND OFFICIAL POSITION TO BE EXPLOITED "BY PERSONS WITH EXTREME VIEWS ON HIGHLY CONTROVERSIAL POLITICAL ISSUES."

FULBRIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, DISCUSSED HIS MEMORANDUM IN A SPEECH AT THE OPENING SESSION OF THE NATIONAL

WAR COLLEGE AND INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE OF THE ARMED FORCES. IT HAS BEEN CRITICIZED BY SOME, NOTABLY SEN. STROM THURMOND, D.S.C., AS AN ATTEMPT TO MUZZLE THE MILITARY.

"NO DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST INDIVIDUALS WAS CALLED FOR," FULBRIGHT DECLARED. "THE PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF MY RECOMMENDATION WAS TO ASSURE THAT MILITARY PERSONNEL ADHERE TO THE OBLIGATION, WHICH IS INHERENT IN THEIR DUTY AS SOLDIERS, TO REFRAIN FROM PUBLIC CRITICISM OF THE OVER-ALL POLITICAL POLICIES, AS DISTINGUISHED FROM THE TECHNICAL MILITARY POLICIES, OF THE GOVERNMENT AND OF THEIR COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF."

FULBRIGHT SAID HIS MEMORANDUM CONTAINED A SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATION THAT THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT ISSUE GENERAL DIRECTIVES TO BRING UNDER CONTROL "THE ACTIVITIES OF MILITARY OFFICERS IN LENDING THE WEIGHT OF THEIR OFFICIAL STATUS TO ORGANIZED EXPRESSIONS OF EXTREMIST OPPOSITION" TO THE POLICIES OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY.

THE MEMORANDUM SET FORTH INSTANCES OF ALLEGED SPEECHES AT MILITARY-SPONSORED PUBLIC FORUMS BY "RADICAL RIGHT-WING SPEAKERS."

IT CRITICIZED "MILITARY SPONSORSHIP OF ATTACKS BY RADICAL EXTREMISTS ON THE POLICIES OF OUR GOVERNMENT," FULBRIGHT TOLD THE OFFICERS GROUP.

HE SAID THE INSTANCES HE CITED HAPPENED TO BE CASES WHICH REFLECT THE EXTREMISM OF THE EXTREME RIGHT, BUT THAT HE WOULD HAVE BEEN "EQUALLY CONCERNED HAD I KNOW OF MILITARY PARTICIPATION IN ATTACKS FROM THE EXTREME LEFT."

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AP FOREIGN SERVICE ADVANCE FOR TUESDAY AMS, AUG. 22--NOTE DATE

(ADVANCE) BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA, AUG. 21 (AP)-THE AVOWEDLY UNCOMMITTED NATIONS PROMOTING A SUMMIT CONFERENCE HERE SEPT. 1 ARE HAVING SOME TROUBLE DECIDING WHAT OTHER COUNTRIES QUALIFY FOR INVITATIONS AS FENCE-SITTERS IN EAST-WEST AFFAIRS.

THE PROBLEM IS COMPLICATED BY THE FACT HIGH OFFICIALS IN SOME OF THE COUNTRIES THEY HAVE INVITED TO THIS SEAT OF PRESIDENT TITO'S INDEPENDENT COMMUNIST GOVERNMENT ARE HESITANT ABOUT ATTENDING.

CERTAINLY NOT ALL THE DELEGATION LEADERS WILL BE CHIEFS OF STATE. THE FINAL ROSTER MAY NOT BE KNOWN UNTIL THE EVE OF THE CONFERENCE.

PLANS WERE OUTLINED BY A PREPARATORY COMMITTEE AT CAIRO IN JUNE. ALL THE 21 NATIONS THAT TOOK PART IN THE CAIRO SESSION ARE EXPECTED TO BE REPRESENTED AT BELGRADE.

THESE 21 ARE AFGHANISTA, ALGERIA, BURMA, CAMBODIA, CEYLON, CUBA, ETHIOPIA, GHANA, GUINEA, INDIA, INDONESIA, IRAQ, MAL, MOROCCO, NEPAL, SAUDI ARABIA, SOMALIA, SUDAN, UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC, YEMEN AND YUGOSLAVIA.

THE ITALIAN SOCIALIST PARTY HEADED BY PIETRO NENNIN WILL SEND OBSERVERS TO THE CONFERENCE.

TITO HAS ~~X X X GTH GRAF~~ said he will lead the yugoslav delegation. President ~~RS610~~PED

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NASSER IS EXPECTED TO HEAD THE U.A.R. DELEGATION. PRESUMABLY PREMIER FIDEL CASTRO WILL BE ON HAND FOR CUBA.

THE 10-MAN IRAQI DELEGATION WILL BE LED BY FOREIGN MINISTER HASHIM JAWAD. PREMIER ABDUL KARIM KASSEM IS STAYING HOME.

PRIME MINISTER NEHRU OF INDIA IS COMING AFTER CONSIDERABLE HESITATION. THE INDIAN LEADER PRESUMABLY FEARED THE CONFERENCE MIGHT BECOME AN ANTI-WESTERN FORUM. BUT HE ANNOUNCED EARLIER THIS MONTH HE WILL ATTEND.

ONE SUGGESTION AT CAIRO WAS THAT THE NEUTRAL NATIONS OF EUROPE--SUCH AS SWEDEN AND AUSTRIA -- BE INVITED. BUT THIS WAS TURNED DOWN.

"WE LOOK UPON THEIR NEUTRALITY AS NEGATIVE," NASSER EXPLAINED LATER. "I THINK THERE IS A BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN NONALIGNMENT AND NEUTRALITY."

THE COUNTRIES BACKING THE BELGRADE CONFERENCE GENERALLY PREFER NOT TO CALL THEMSELVES NEUTRALS. THEY LIKE WORDS SUCH AS "NONENGAGED," "NONALIGNED" OR "UNCOMMITTED." IN EFFECT THEY SAY THEY ARE NOT NEUTRAL BECAUSE THEY HAVE DEFINITE IDEAS ON WORLD ISSUES.

TOGO, UPPER VOLTA AND NIGERIA WERE INVITED TO BELGRADE BUT DECLINED TO ATTEND ON THE GROUND THEY FEARED THE MEETING MIGHT RESULT IN A THIRD WORLD BLOC.

TITO SAYS SUCH AN IDEA IS ABSURD, ADDING:

"OUR DSIRE IS THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO BLOCS ANY LONGER."

LEBANON, BOLIVIA, ECUADOR, MEXICO AND BRAZIL ALSO WERE INVITED TO THE BELGRADE CONFERENCE. BRAZIL SAID IT WILL SEND AN OBSERVER. BOLIVIA, ECUADOR AND MEXICO HAVE NOT YET REPLIED.

LEBANON HAS SAID IT WILL ATTEND.

THE CAIRO MEETING DEBATED INCONCLUSIVELY ABOUT TUNISIA. AT THAT TIME NASSER AND TUNISIAN PRESIDENT HABIB BOURGUIBA WERE AT ODDS. TUNISIA WAS PROWESTERN. THEN CAME THE FRENCH-TUNISIAN FIGHTING AT BIZERTE. It finally was decided to invite

~~NOW YUGOSLAVIA IS ASKING THE OTHER SPONSORS WHETHER~~ TUNISIA, which ~~SHOULD BE INVITED TO BELGRADE. ALL ARE EXPECTED TO AGREE.~~ announced it will attend.

THOUGH NONE OF THE CONFEREES EXCEPT YUGOSLAVIA IS FROM EUROPE, BERLIN WILL BE A MAIN TOPIC OF THE CONFERENCE. SEVERAL COUNTRIES ALREADY HAVE SAID THEY WILL BRING IT UP.

TITO SAID COLONIALISM AND DISARMAMENT WILL BE OUTSTANDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

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CLAY

WASHINGTON, AUG. 21 (AP)-GEN. LUCIUS D. CLAY TODAY DISCOUNTED REPORTS THAT HE MIGHT RETURN TO BERLIN TO THE POST HE HELD MORE THAN A DECADE AGO AS U.S. COMMANDANT.

CLAY, ARRIVING AT ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, MD., WITH VICE PRESIDENT JOHNSON, TOLD REPORTERS HE TOO HAD HEARD THE UMORS.

"THERE'S NOTHING TO THEM," HE SAID.

CLAY HAD ACCOMPANIED JOHNSON ON THE VICE PRESIDENT'S FLYING WEEKEND TRIP TO EUROPE TO REASSURE WEST GERMANS IN THE BERLIN CRISIS.

ASKED WHETHER HE WOULD LIKE TO GO BACK TO HIS FORMER POST, CLAY SAID MERELY THAT HE STILL CONSIDERS HIMSELF SUBJECT TO MILITARY ORDERS AND WOULD TAKE ANY ASSIGNMENT GIVEN HIM.

CLAY, 64, RETIRED IN MAY 1949 AFTER SERVING AS U.S. COMMANDANT AT BERLIN AND ALSO AS U.S. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN WEST GERMANY.

HE IS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF CONTINENTAL CAN CO.

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LONDON, AUG. 21 (AP)-THE CZECHOSLOVAK EMBASSY ISSUED A DECLARATION TODAY CLAIMING THERE IS A GROWING THREAT OF AGGRESSION ON CZECHOSLOVAKIA'S WESTERN FRONTIER FROM WEST GERMANY.

THE STATEMENT CALLED FOR THE CONCLUSION OF A PEACE TREATY AS THE FIRST STEP TOWARD THE REUNIFICATION OF GERMANY. THE DECLARATION IS BEING HANDED TO VARIOUS AMBASSADORS IN PRAGUE.

AMBASSADOR MIROSLAV GALUSKA TOLD REPORTERS THAT PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS IN WEST GERMANY ARE MAKING TERRITORIAL CLAIMS AGAINST CZECHOSLOVAKIA. HE SINGLED OUT THE "LEADERS OF THE SO-CALLED SUDENTEN GERMAN PARTY."

"WE THINK THE BEST SOLUTION IS FOR THE TWO SIDES (EAST AND WEST GERMANY) TO COME TOGETHER AND NEGOTIATE FOR REUNIFICATION," HE SAID.

"WE DON'T THINK SO-CALLED FREE ELECTIONS ARE THE BEST SOLUTION."
THE WESTERN POWERS HAVE PROPOSED THE REUNIFICATION OF GERMANY ON THE BASIS OF FREE ELECTIONS. THEY DO NOT RECOGNIZE COMMUNIST EAST GERMANY.

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OTTAWA, AUG. 21 (AP)--PRIME MINISTER JOHN DIEFENBAKER SAID TODAY THE CABINET IS CONSIDERING A BUILDUP OF CANADA'S NATO FORCE WITH BOTH TROOPS AND EQUIPMENT.

HE TOLD REPORTERS AFTER A CABINET MEETING THE MINISTERS WERE STUDYING MEASURES "WHICH MIGHT BE TAKEN IN CONNECTION WITH THE BERLIN CRISIS, AND, GENERALLY, THE PROVISIONS TO BE MADE FOR OUR ARMED FORCES IN NATO."

THE CABINET WILL MEET AGAIN TOMORROW.

DIEFENBAKER SAID THE NATO COUNCIL HAS MADE NO REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL CANADIAN TROOPS BUT ALL NATO COUNTRIES ARE REVIEWING THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS.

HE EMPHASIZED THAT THE BUILDUP WOULD BE ALONG THE LINES OF CONVENTIONAL RATHER THAN NUCLEAR FORCES.

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